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HIGH GATE TURN-ON VOLTAGE AND LOW ON-RESISTANCE AND ITS
MANUFACTURING METHOD

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1. United States Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0019131, published September 6, 2001.
2. K. Nishii et al.; "High Current/gm Self-Aligned PJ-HFET of Completely Enhancement-Mode Operation"; Extended Abstracts of the International Conference on Solid State Devices and Materials; Japan Society of Applied Physics, Tokyo, Japan; September 1998; pages 396-397.
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